

CITY AND BEEF TRUST

The Illinois State Board of Health Hits Both of Them Hard in Circular.

Duty of the City Administration with Regard to Meat Inspection Is Very Plain.

The new government law, as everybody knows, does not provide for the inspection of meat consumed in Chicago and Illinois.

The strange apathy of the Chicago authorities in the matter of Beef Trust violations of the law, is arousing the attention of the entire country.

The flooding of Chicago and the State of Illinois with lumpy jaw, tubercular and cancerous beef is causing widespread indignation.

The Illinois State Board of Health issued a strong circular containing recommendations to municipalities concerning the supervision and inspection of slaughter houses, packing houses, etc.

The following extracts show how hard the circular hits the city government of Chicago:

"The Illinois State Board of Health, by special resolution, adopted at a regular meeting, held in Chicago June 20th and 21st, 1906, urgently recommends to the mayors and councils of all cities and the presidents and boards of trustees of all villages, and to all other health officials in all parts of the State, the enactment and enforcement of ordinances providing for the supervision and the regular and systematic inspection of all slaughter houses, packing houses, storage houses, markets, cellars and all other establishments used for the preparation, manufacture, storage or sale of food intended for human consumption.

"The health of the people is largely dependent upon the purity, quality and cleanliness of their food and these may be controlled and guaranteed to the people only through the conscientious efforts of health officials acting under the powers conferred upon them by the statutes.

"The people of each municipality have the right to expect that the officials whom they have entrusted with the enforcement of the law, will give them every possible protection provided by the law, and the statutes of the State of Illinois are so liberal in their construction as to give to the municipality full power to control all of those things which may in any way effect the health of the people.

"Under the provisions of an act to provide for the incorporation of cities and villages, approved April 10, 1872, (Revised Statutes, Chapter 24, Section 62), the councils in cities and the president and the board of trustees in villages are empowered to regulate the sale of meat, poultry, fish, butter, cheese, lard, vegetables and all other provisions; to regulate the sale of food; to declare what shall constitute a nuisance and to abate same and to fine all who permit nuisances to exist; to appoint a board of health and prescribe its powers and duties; TO DO ALL ACTS AND MAKE ALL REGULATIONS TO PROMOTE HEALTH OR TO PREVENT DISEASE; to direct location and regulate the management and construction of packing houses either within the limits of the corporation or within one mile from its boundaries; to compel the owner of any grocery or any unwholesome or noxious place to clean and abate or remove same and to regulate its location. Under the provisions of the same law, municipalities are empowered to impose fines, not exceeding \$200 for each offense, or imprisonment, not exceeding six months, for the violation of any of its ordinances."

"Aside from the specific provisions of the law, quoted above, the one provision, empowering the municipality TO DO ALL ACTS AND MAKE ALL REGULATIONS TO PROMOTE HEALTH OR TO PREVENT DISEASE, gives ample authority for the local officials to undertake the supervision and systematic inspection of those places in which food for human consumption is either prepared, manufactured, stored or offered for sale. However, the specific provisions of the statutes remove all doubt as to the limits to which the municipality may go in the protection of the health of the people."

"Animal food is particularly susceptible to bacterial action and to decomposition which is hastened by killing and handling in filthy slaughter houses or by improper refrigeration and storage."

"MEAT FROM DISEASED ANIMALS, TOO FREQUENTLY SLAUGHTERED FOR HUMAN FOOD, MAY BE PRODUCTIVE OF WIDESPREAD DISEASE AMONG THOSE WHO CONSUME IT."

"The oft repeated statement that cooking will remove the poisonous properties of spoiled meat is not to be relied upon."

"In view of these facts, it is the duty of the health officials of all municipalities to establish such supervision and inspection as will render impossible the maintenance of unsanitary slaughter houses and packing houses, the killing of diseased animals or the sale of meats and other foods which, by their original character, or change which have taken place in them, are unfit for human consumption."

"The presence of a sick or diseased animal in a slaughter house should place the establishment under suspicion as one in which such animals are slaughtered for human consumption. Any unsound meat or carcass found in a slaughter house or in a market should be assumed as being there for sale."

Notwithstanding its apathy and as poor as the city inspection is at the Stock Yards because of the very small number of inspectors, the government inspection is worse. In fact the government inspection is a farce as is proven by the following extract from the Chicago Health Department report for the week ending September 15, 1906:

"The Department Inspectors at the Union Stock Yards condemned and destroyed 95,008 pounds of meats. Of this amount 11,545 pounds were condemned by the Department Inspectors after having been passed by other inspectors."

"The 'other inspectors' are the government inspectors.

If Mayor Dunne's administration destroyed over 3,000,000 pounds of cancerous and tuberculous meat in five months, by the inspection work of only eleven inspectors, how many billions of pounds of cancer and tuberculous were fed to the people during the years that there was no city inspection?

The pure food laws will, of course, be enforced against some poor little grocer. But against the Beef Trust, never!

How many tuberculous or lumpy jaw cattle have been released from "quarantine" by order of the Health Department?

What object can the members of the Beef Trust have in opposing the Illinois pure food laws and wanting them amended?

During the week ending Sept. 8 the few city meat inspectors at the Union Stock Yards condemned and destroyed 95,008 pounds of meats. The food inspectors in the "loop district" condemned and destroyed 47,862 pounds of unfit foodstuffs.

A million pounds of bad meat sold outside the loop district were eaten by the people. No inspection.

The Beef Trust continues to spread tuberculous, cancer and other diseases with impunity.

One fact that escapes general attention is that the intestines, blood, liver, heart and lights (or lungs) of an animal are already used before the carcass proper gets to the inspector. This includes also what is known as the gut fat, out of which lard, suet, tallow and various other things are made.

As soon as a beef is killed, it is hung up by the heels and disemboweled.

All of the "innards" are hauled away.

Even the blood is received into a receptacle and carried off to be made into blood sausage, beef extract and the like.

The intestines are carried to the sausage rooms to be used as casings.

The stomach goes elsewhere to be used as tripe.

The liver, lights, heart, etc., find a ready market.

And, mind you, every bit of these portions of the "critter" are used whether it is suffering from cancer, tuberculous, lumpy jaw, or any other disease.

The carcass after its "innards" are removed is swung along and carried to another place where the inspectors pass upon it or pretend to pass upon it.

Dr. C. J. Whalen, the efficient Health Commissioner of Chicago, reported the condemnation of nearly four million pounds of meat during the four months ending December 30, 1905.

Now 85 per cent of these 4,000,000 pounds were found to be afflicted with tuberculous.

Every ounce of these 4,000,000 pounds belonged to the main carcasses and had passed government inspection.

What about the hearts, livers, lights, intestines, fats, blood, tripe and other inside belongings of these tuberculous cattle from which 4,000,000 pounds of tuberculous and cancerous meat were found and condemned?

They were sold to the people and eaten as food!

The Cancer Trust and the Tuberculous Trust are still doing business.

Talk about government inspection! We take the following from the last annual report of Dr. Charles J. Whalen, Commissioner of Health of the city of Chicago. The facts speak for themselves.

"At the Union Stock Yards during the last five months of the year, seven inspectors (five of whom were appointed in November) have condemned and destroyed 2,794,038 pounds of meat, as being unfit for food; all of which would have been sold in the city of Chicago, and for which the purchaser would have paid first-class prices."

"From these figures it is very evident



FRANCIS D. CONNERY,
Next Alderman from the Twenty-eighth Ward.

that inspection by the city of all food products is of untold value, not only from a financial but from a sanitary and hygienic standpoint."

"The following will show how necessary city inspection is at the Union Stock Yards:

"The city meat inspectors have condemned in the coolers and on the cutting floors AFTER PASSING GOVERNMENT INSPECTION:

"125 cattle, cause, actinomycosis.

"97 cattle, cause, emaciation.

"24 cattle, cause, tuberculous, evidence of disease having been trimmed out.

"16 cattle, cause, 'downers.'

"27 sheep, cause, pneumonia.

"94 hogs, cause, pyemia and tuberculous.

"47,730 pounds of cut meats shipped from St. Louis, Omaha, etc., for canning. This meat was sour and slimy."

The American people must put an end to the Beef Trust or suffer the consequences of bad food.

What a fine figure some of the beef barons will cut in a Legislative investigation!

Edward F. Cullerton will be returned to the City Council from the Eleventh Ward by a larger majority than he ever received before.

The attempt of the Dunne administration to make all social entertainments pay \$1,000 license will long be remembered.

There is no betting on the election. The Dunne people want too big odds.

When the high license fanatics raised the saloon licenses from \$500 to \$1,000 a year and made them payable in two payments instead of quarterly, the vote in the City Council was 40 to 28 for the ordinance. Had Mayor Dunne vetoed the ordinance, high license would have been beaten. But he did not. He said that the extra money would be used in increasing the police force. Instead of increasing the police force the salaries of City

Hall employees were increased. The police force is smaller to-day than it was ten years ago.

The best citizens of the Twenty-fourth Ward, irrespective of party, are supporting Alderman Albert Hahne for reelection.

Vote for the traction ordinances April 2. Under them the service given by the traction companies never will be allowed to run down again.

The companies are obligated to expend 6 per cent of the gross receipts of each year for maintenance and repairs. Any part of this amount not actually expended for the purpose must be deposited in an official city depository and held for such use when it is held for such use when needed.

The companies are obligated further to deposit 8 per cent of the gross receipts each month in a reserve fund for renewals and depreciation. The money in the fund can be expended for renewals only on written order from the board of supervising engineers, which the city controls. The portion not so expended shall be retained permanently as a depreciation fund.

These amounts are the minimum to be set aside. If there is need of more money for these purposes the companies must furnish it.

If the city purchases the property, all the money in these two funds at once becomes the property of the city.

Otto J. Novak, the candidate for Sanitary Trustee, is the oldest son of the late Anton Novak, who was for many years prominent in Chicago politics. He was born on the West Side Aug. 18, 1880, and attended the public schools. After a few years at the West Division High School he began work in the cigar factory of his father. Since the death of his father last October he

has taken full charge of the business. He has been prominent in ward politics for the last six years, and is a member of several West Side organizations. He is unmarried and lives in the family residence, 512 Robey street.

William H. McSurely gained his first prominence politically as a member of the Illinois Legislature in 1905-7. He is married and lives at 5037 Washington avenue, in the Sixth Ward. He was born in Oxford, O., Jan. 27, 1865, and graduated from the University of Wooster in 1886. He read law in Chicago and was admitted to the bar in 1893. He is a member of the law firm of Burley & McSurely, with offices in the Hartford Building. He is a member of the University, Hamilton, Homewood Country and Law clubs.

Chicago is too big a city to be run as a village much longer.

Arthur W. Fulton will be the next alderman from the Thirtieth Ward.

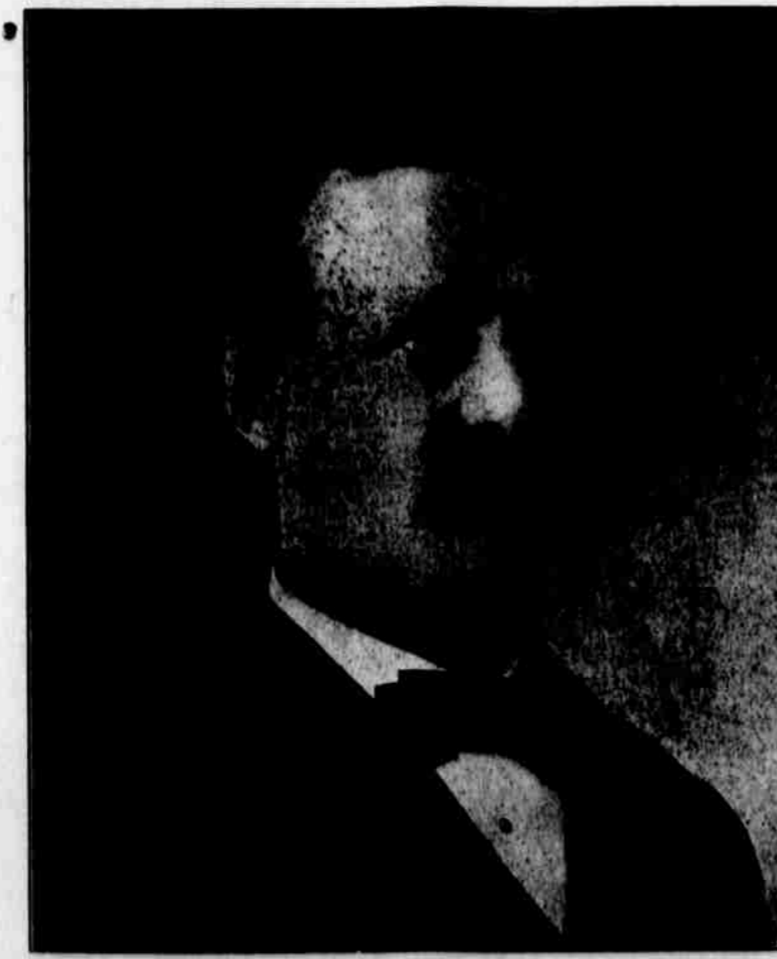
Vote for the traction ordinances, because the ordinances provide for municipal ownership on six months' notice whenever the service gets bad, whenever the companies get unreasonable, or whenever, for any other reason, the people want municipal ownership.

Because the ordinances settle all the important phases of the traction question "the city's way," giving the municipality ample control at every point and reserving to it free right of choice for the future.

With the men who will be among the "also ran" if Dunne wins this spring will be the Anti-Hearst Democrats who are supporting him now.

Only One "BROMO QUININE." That is LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine. Similarly named remedies sometimes deceive. The first and original Cold Tablet is a WHITE PACKAGE with black and red lettering, and bears the signature of E. W. GROVE, D.C.

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ALBERT HAHNE,
Republican Candidate for Alderman Twenty-fourth Ward.

NEWS FROM ILLINOIS.

Items from All Over the State of Matters of Interest to Our Readers.

Happenings of the Week from Cairo to Chicago Carefully Compiled for Busy Men.

FREE CLOTHES FOR PUPILS.

Rockford Socialists to Demand Books and Food Also if Necessary.

Free clothes for children attending public schools, and books and food if necessary, has been included in the platform of the Socialist party for the municipal election in Rockford. The platform upon which the party will stand in the coming campaign has been formulated, and those active in the councils of the party believe it will appeal to the laboring class. The Socialist party in Rockford is a power to be considered, and the showing made four years ago, when over 2,300 votes were marshaled, leads to the belief that victory at the polls is not impossible, especially with three or more candidates in the race. The platform announced caused a stir in political circles. The clauses expected to gain followers for the party follow: "We demand more education and of a better quality, and that the children be taught the truths of history, science, art and literature, and not the biased conclusions of a dominant class. That buildings and teachers be provided for all children of school age, and, if necessary, books, clothing and food; no room to have more than twenty-five scholars, and the minimum wage for teachers to be not less than \$900 per year. That every possible thing be done to promote the efficiency of the grade schools; for only a very small and rapidly diminishing percentage of the working class ever go any higher."

Clarence Carpenter and Mary Ferrell of Joliet, the latter aged 15, run away from home and went to Kankakee to get married, but were taken in charge by the police on information from Joliet.

The United States gunboat Wasp, that has been anchored in Cairo harbor for a week on a recruiting tour and has been visited by thousands of spectators, has departed on the return trip to the gulf.

James Bryant, city marshal of Gridley, is thought to have committed suicide by drowning in the Chicago river. Despondency over the shooting of a citizen who tried to take a prisoner away from him may have been the cause.

Young Kid Farmer, the Peoria pugilist, has been released from jail in Davenport, Iowa, a Peorian furnishing his bail of \$500. James Graham of Davenport, whom he is charged with stabbing, is still in a serious condition at the hospital there.

Artie Clinton, lawyer, and Alvan T. Long, justice of the peace, have been arrested in Paris on an indictment for conspiracy to defraud in trying to collect \$10,000 worth of notes signed with the name of A. M. Gough, which signature William Taylor had pleaded guilty to forging.

Following arguments consuming most of the day Judge C. D. Myers of Bloomington denied the motion that a change of venue be allowed Thomas Baldwin, who murdered four people near Armstrong, a month ago because they were instigators of an indictment against him on a charge of criminal assault.

C. E. Paisley of Mount Vernon has filed a suit for \$5,000 damages against John L. Cleveland for personal injuries. Several months ago, while Cleveland was being initiated in the Modern Woodmen lodge, he fired a revolver loaded with a blank cartridge, the wad of soap striking Paisley in the eye and destroying the sight.

Dr. Robert Emery, for many years a practicing physician in Peoria, is in the Peoria county jail, being held without bail as the result of the death of Miss Pauline Schneider at St. Francis' hospital. The young woman in a dying statement given to State's Attorney Scholes charges Dr. Emery with criminal malpractice.

After having lived devotedly together fifty-seven years, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Gibbs of Evanston have been joined in death. Mrs. Gibbs died Tuesday after an illness of only a week. Mr. Gibbs followed her the next day—died with a broken heart, their children say. They had a double funeral at the old home-stand, where they lived over forty years. They were buried in the same grave at Rosehill.

At 10-40 o'clock the other night Louis McGuire, a Chicago, Burlington and Quincy machinist and son of Barney McGuire, one of the oldest engineers on the road, was shot dead near the center of the business section of Galesburg. The shot is supposed to have been fired by one of a party of young men with whom McGuire had been spending the evening. It is the theory of the police that there was a quarrel.

Joe Haas, 60 years old, a farm hand, who was released recently from the workhouse in Belleville, after serving six months on a charge of burglary, went to the jail and informed Jailer Sheers that he wanted to be put back on the rock pile again. He stated that he cannot find work on the farm at this time of the year, and being penniless, is unable to purchase meals and a place to lodge. Jailer Sheers tried to get Haas to leave, but he refused, stating that he was determined to remain even if he had to commit some offense to do so. Complaint was finally made against him and he was sent to the workhouse for forty-five days on a vagrancy charge. Haas took the mittimus issued by Justice Wanzel, walked to the jail unaccompanied and presented it to Jailer Sheer. He was given the customary bath and is now contentedly occupying a cell.

Two thousand acres of the most valuable undeveloped coal lands near Herrin have just changed hands and will be developed by big corporations this spring. The Robert Dick Coal Company purchased 600 acres lying three miles north of Herrin along the line of the Herrin-Centralia extension of the Burlington for \$75,000. A little more than eight years ago the land was covered with timber valued at more than \$5,000, which price it then sold for. A shaft will be put down on the holding. A 1-1/2-acre tract, four miles north of Herrin, in Williamson and Franklin counties, between the Burlington and Illinois Central, was purchased by Paul Herrin for the Freeman and Big Muddy Coal companies, which will put down at once two more shafts and begin to develop the lands. These holdings are the last large options of coal lands in that district to be taken by corporations.

Twenty-six indictments were returned at East St. Louis against several persons for operating gambling devices. One woman was indicted.

The fifth annual convention of the International Union of Flour and Cereal Mill Employees closed a three days' session at Belleville.

H. B. Wilson of Frankfort, Ind., was selected as superintendent of schools in Decatur to succeed Enoch A. Castman, who retires next September after forty-five years of continuous service as superintendent. It is believed that no other school superintendent in the United States has held the office in one place so long.

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